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GWEN SHERMAN
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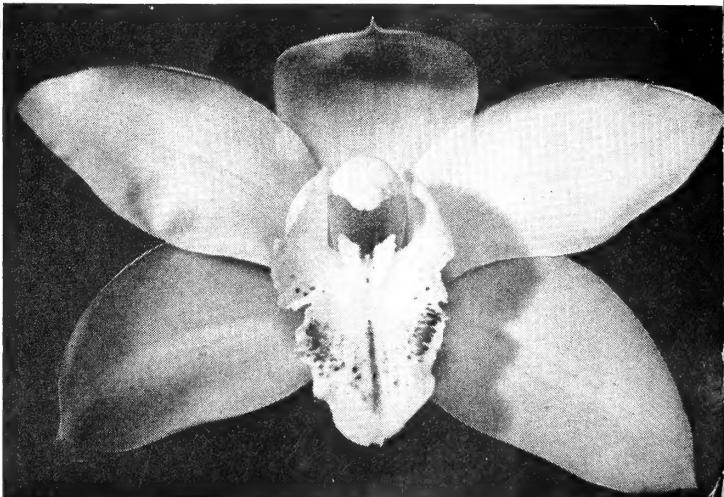
The Prize-Winners of Tomorrow will come from the Fine Seedlings of TODAY

Sherman Orchid Gardens

GRAND AVENUE AND GLENDSTONE, GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA
(1 MILE SOUTH OF HIGHWAY 66 ON GRAND AVENUE)

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Cymbidium
GWEN SHERMAN
'Honey'



FREE OFFER

This is our get-acquainted offer — Select any 6 seedlings of your choice (same price), pay for only 5. This gives you 1 FREE seedling with each 5 plants ordered. Place your order immediately for your free plant. Offer applies to all except prices noted as net.

YOU CAN'T BUY BETTER SEEDLINGS

WE AGAIN TAKE PLEASURE in presenting a new offering of select hybrid seedlings. It is well known that our stock of fine stud plants is *most extensive*, and it includes the *finest proven and prize-winning varieties in existence*. We are, of course, continually adding to this fine stud collection both from our own originations, as well as from the finest new developments from all over the world. Many of these new creations are represented in this listing.

SPECIALIZING

We specialize in *Cymbidium* and *Cypripedium Orchids*. Along with these, we have a stock of top-quality *Vandas*. Our area here and in the Hope Ranch of Santa Barbara makes our nursery one of the largest wholesale and retail nurseries devoted to the development and production of these fine orchids.

This offering is not only outstanding in point of quality, but we believe that it represents the finest selection ever offered.

A visit to the Nursery will give convincing evidence of the superb quality of our stud plants and of our stock. The hundreds of repeat orders and enthusiastic letters which we receive from our customers are not only a great source of pleasure to us, but are your assurance of quality and satisfaction as well. You may order by mail or make your selection at the Nursery — your order will receive our personal attention. All of the plants listed in this offering are *sturdy plants, well rooted and healthy!* In some instances the smaller size seedlings are grown in plant bands and will be shipped in the bands or bare root, as the case may be. **We are open every day—including Sunday.**

BREEDING

IN OUR BREEDING PROGRAM, we keep in mind the need to develop and grow many different types to meet the ever-changing tastes of the public. For *Cymbidiums*, this necessitates the use of all present types, which include the finest of Diploid and Tetraploid parents. We are also using the one known Pentaploid parent for breeding newer and finer cymbidiums. *Cypripedium* seedling production receives the same careful thought and planning, along with the use of world-renowned parent stock which, of course, is so necessary to obtain the desired results. By careful analysis of the many years of study and work that has gone into the breeding of flowers, a hybridist may gain the knowledge and understanding of what it takes to make new and successfully modern hybrids. Add to this, careful use of PROVEN parent stock, and you are assured of the best results.

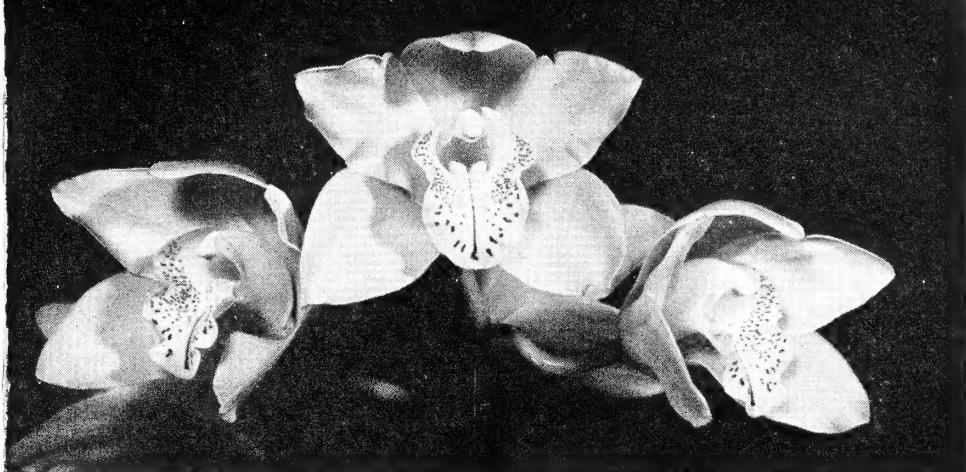
CULTURE

Cymbidium seedlings can be grown with mature plants and under the same conditions (see our cultural bulletin or catalog). However, to obtain somewhat faster growth the following suggestions are offered: 50°F. - 65°F. minimum temperature, 1000-1500 ft. candles of light, an open light compost (such as our M-3 formula), adequate watering (don't let the plants dry out), and a regular feeding program with a well-balanced fertilizer such as Gaviota Orchid Fertilizer. Feed approximately every two weeks unless the plants become too soft and dark green. If this occurs, stop feeding for a month or 6 weeks.

Best of Show Seedlings

SHERMAN ORCHID GARDENS — Awarded the Amy E. Dupont Silver Trophy for the Best Collection of *Cymbidium* Seedlings at the 11th Annual Santa Barbara International *Cymbidium* Show, 1956. This award was made to seedlings flowering for the first time. The "backbone" of the group was made up of our #L-86, Gwen Sherman seedlings.

Again a Reminder—The prize-winners of tomorrow will come from the fine seedlings of today.



Cymbidium
GWEN SHERMAN
'GRANADA'

(MIRETTA X ALEXANDERI 'WESTONBIRT', FCC-RHS)

The above pictured cymbidium seedling, flowering for the first time, is a good example of the fine types being flowered from this, our #L-86.

Large, heavy textured flowers of fine form in a color range from pure white through pink with many choice rich yellows, some with chartreuse tones and almost 100% clear colors — truly the hybridist's goal. The Miretta used in this particular cross has made these seedlings very strong growers and exceedingly free flowering, first spikes in some instances having as many as 18 flowers.

Special!

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Cymbidium
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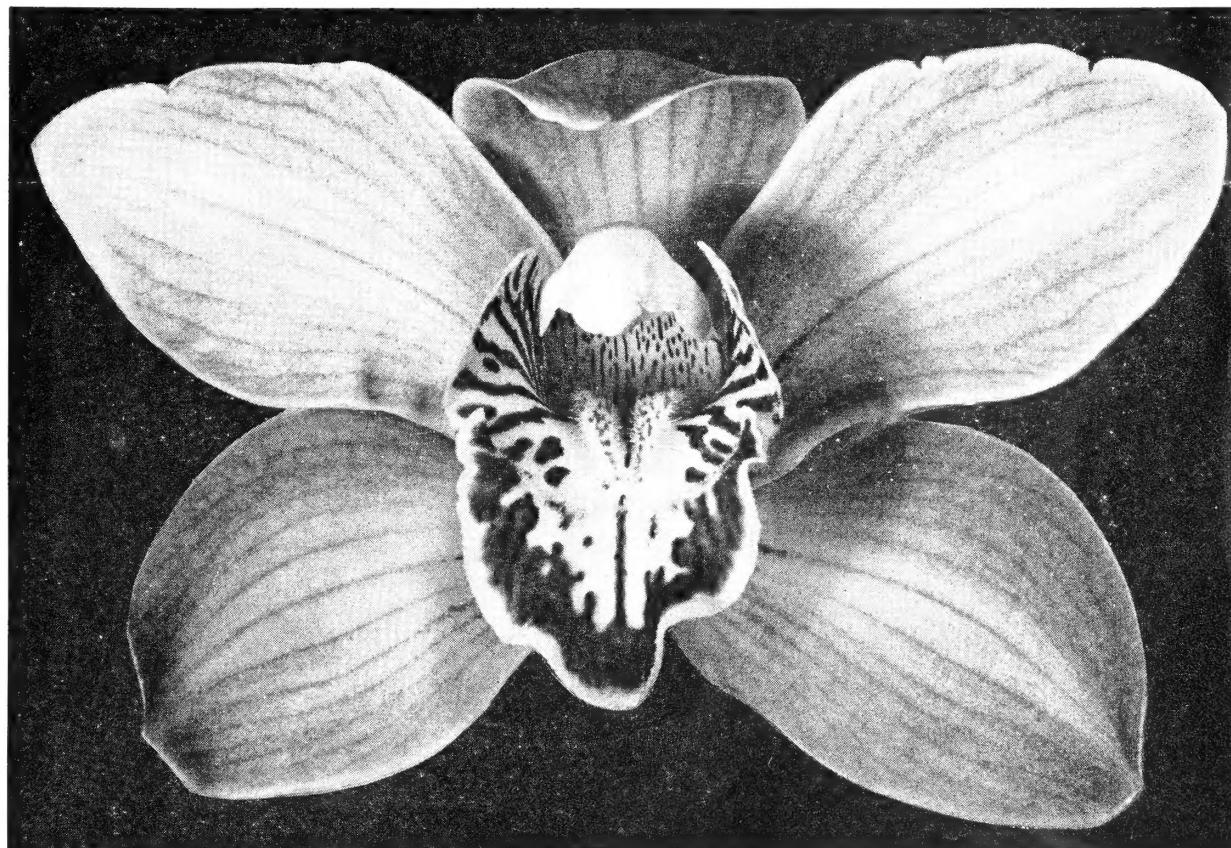
(PAUWELSII 'COMTE DE
HEMPTINNE', FCC-RHS
X CARISBROOK)

Awards

Monterey Peninsula
Orchid Show

BEST SEEDLING

BEST PINK CYMBIDIUM



Pictured above, one of our #L-48 and flowering for the first time, is an example of the choice cymbidiums one can expect from this lot.

Producing flowers of fine rounded form and heavy substance on tall upright spikes in colors of pink and rose primarily. They are exceedingly strong growing, vigorous plants and as triploids, which these are, production should be very high. We recommend this group of seedlings be given every consideration when ordering.



WITH A VIEW TO THE FUTURE — We offer the following crosses, which are the result of long-range planning and observation, with plant vigor, free-flowering characteristics, as well as high flower quality being carefully considered.

UNFLOWERED CYMBIDIUM SEEDLINGS*

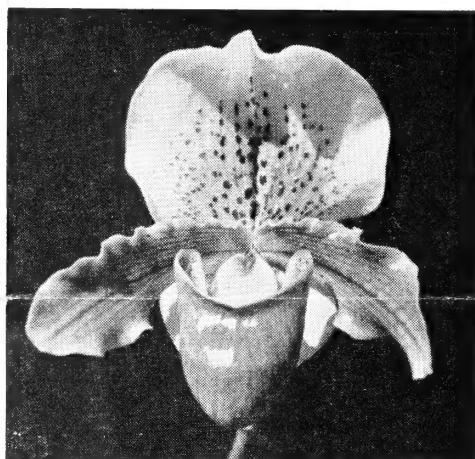
(E) Early Flowering			SIZES AND PRICES			
NO.	NAME		Length of Leaves 6"-10"	First Bulb 10" up	Pre- & Growth Flowering	
L-314	STARFIRE (Woodhamsianum, Concolor x Flamingo 'Nobilior' FCC-RHS)	Here we have used the famous 'pentaploid' parent, Flamingo 'Nobilior,' whose chromosome count is yet one step above that of the fine parent, Alexanderi 'Westonbirt', which is a tetraploid. This group of seedlings should produce fine quality flowers of heavy substance and good form. Colors should include fine white, pink, yellow with the possibility of some delicate green shades. Flamingo 'Nobilior' has produced many fine things, such as Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth, to name but two.	*	4.50	7.50	*
L-376	PAUWELSI (Pauwelsii 'Comte de Hemptinne' FCC-RHS x Self)	This world famous tetraploid parent 'self crossed' has exceptional possibilities from almost every standpoint — fine large heavy flowers, long spikes, striking colors and new breeding stock.	*	4.50	7.50	*
L-377	SWALLOW (Alexanderi 'Westonbirt' FCC-RHS x Pauwelsii 'Comte de Hemptinne' FCC-RHS)	A remake of this famous cross, using both of the tetraploid parents. Unexcelled as a heavy producer of prize-winning quality. Beautiful pastel shades.	*	4.50	*	*
L-379	BODMIN MOOR (Alexanderi 'Westonbirt' FCC-RHS x Erica Sander)	Again a remake of a famous cross that produces top quality flowers on long spikes. Pastels in ivory, cream and pale green tones.	*	4.50	7.50	*
L-493	CLARISSA 'SAMARKAND' x PAUWELSI 'COMTE de HEMPTINNE' FCC-RHS	Again using the famous tetraploid, with one of the finest large heavy rose-colored flowers carried on long spikes. Should assure some of the best pink, rose and red flowers to be seen.	*	4.50	7.50	12.50
L-722	ALEXANDERI 'WESTONBIRT' FCC-RHS x MIRIAM	Another triploid cross for heavy production of fine high-quality flowers of large size and heavy substance. Green, yellow and white colors should predominate.	*	4.50	*	*
L-725	ALEXANDERI 'WESTONBIRT' FCC-RHS x CITADEL	Very fine white flowers should prevail, with some pink forms to be seen as well. Using the famous tetraploid parent in a cross such as this again assures many of the very best flowers to be seen.	2.50	4.50	*	*
L-831	CLARISSA 'MARS' x AURIBROOK 'BRILLIANCE'	Choice red colors are assured from this combination with fine growth habit and excellent flower production on long spikes.	*	4.50	*	*
L-850	CALIFORNIA (Blue Smoke 'Mandarin' x Alexanderi 'Westonbirt' FCC-RHS)	As an Alexanderi 'Westonbirt' hybrid this should be one of the finest yet seen, not only because of the known and proven ability of this famous parent, but by combining it with our superbly beautiful Blue Smoke 'Mandarin' (which carries more than 20 flowers per spike, of over 5" spread, of brilliant green color and dark red banded lip), it should be among the best triploid crosses of today.	2.50	4.50	*	*
L-886	JADE (Pearl 'Magnificum' FCC-RHS x Alexanderi 'Westonbirt' FCC-RHS)	This is a remake of a fine cross using the best parent stud stock. Excellent flowers with top form, size and quality primarily in lovely shades of pink, green, and yellow coloring.	*	4.50	*	*
(E) L-889	SICILY 'GREEN MONARCH' BA-OSSC x PEARL 'MAGNIFICUM' FCC-RHS	A percentage of these should flower for the holiday season. Primarily the colors should be in green and yellow tones, with flowers of large size on long arching spikes. The Sicily used is one of the finest and largest known (over 6" flowers).	2.50	4.50	7.50	*
L-913	JOHN RUCK x ALEXANDERI 'WESTONBIRT' FCC-RHS	A very fine dark rose-colored form of John Ruck, with the celebrated Alexanderi, give promise of another excellent group of top-quality producers of rose-pink to white hybrids.	2.50	4.50	*	*

L-914	CLAUDONA 'BRILLIANT' x PAUWELSII 'COMTE de HEMPTINNE' FCC-RHS	.....	2.50	4.50	*	*
	Huge flowers of green to gold colors with large and brilliant lips on heavy long spikes should be the rule rather than the exception. We are looking forward to some outstanding hybrids from this cross.					
L-919	BLUE SMOKE 'MANDARIN' x SICILY 'GREEN MONARCH' BA-OSSC	.....	2.50	4.50	*	*
	Both parents produce very large flowers, one carrying over twenty 5" green flowers, the other having flowers of over 6" spread and yellow-green in color. This should give good production of very large and fine green to yellow flowers. Due to the influence of the Sicily, some can be expected to flower for the early market.					
L-920	ROSA MUNDI 'VESUVIUS' x PAUWELSII 'COMTE de HEMPTINNE' FCC-RHS	.....	*	4.50	*	*
	The pod parent is undoubtedly the finest red cymbidium we have seen and surely this cross will produce many outstanding seedlings in this most sought-after color range.					
L-921	FLAMINGO (Merlin x Alexanderi 'Westonbirt' FCC-RHS)	.....	2.50	4.50	*	*
	A remake of a most distinguished cross with the best parents; one that has produced the only known and fine pentaploid parent plant, the famous Flamingo 'Nobilior' FCC-RHS. Colors, primarily white.					
L-939	ABONNA x PAUWELSII 'COMTE de HEMPTINNE' FCC-RHS	.....	2.50	4.50	*	*
	Yet another group of triploid hybrids known for vigorous growth and heavy production, characteristic for these types. Dark green to light golden colored flowers are the general expectancy for this hybrid.					
(E)L-941	BALINDA 'YULETIDE' x AUTUMN TINTS 'HOLIDAY'	.....	*	4.50	*	*
	As the varietal names imply, this will be a group of plants to look to for many lovely pink flowers for the holiday season. Compact yet strong growing, these seedlings should be given consideration by those desiring early flowers.					
L-949	CLARISSA 'IMPERIAL' x BABYLON 'CASTLE HILL' FCC-RHS	.....	2.50	*	*	*
	Excellent colors of red and pink should prevail from this noteworthy combination. One parent, a diploid with rose color; the other a tetraploid pink (both with very fine large flowers), points to another strong producing triploid of the best possible quality.					
L-950	PRESIDENT WILSON (Lowianum 'Concolor' x Alexanderi 'Westonbirt' FCC-RHS)	.....	2.50	4.50	7.50	*
	A remake of a famous and exceedingly fine triploid hybrid. The concolor form of Lowianum has been used here to produce very light to pure white forms of large flowers of heavy substance with tall strong spikes.					
(E)L-1038	BIMBO x PEARL 'MAGNIFICUM' FCC-RHS	.....	2.50	4.50	*	*
	The very fine, early-flowering Bimbo, of dark green color, with a ruby-red banded lip, combined with the golden colored Pearl 'Magnificum' FCC-RHS, will produce many choice and important early-flowering hybrids of green and gold tones. Plants to carry long, many-flowered spikes, we are sure.					
(E)L-1107	BIMBO x NAOMI 'MISTLETOE'	.....	2.50	4.50	*	*
	Another fine early-blooming hybrid which should produce mostly choice green flowers of good form and size and give very good production for the extremely valuable holiday market. Naomi 'Mistletoe' is considered by every commercial grower who is fortunate in having a division of this plant to be one of, if not the best and most valuable of the early cymbidiums.					
(E)L-1127	BIMBO x EARLY BIRD	.....	2.50	4.50	*	*
	Again we offer seedlings from two fine early-flowering hybrids. And to those who look for holiday flowers in white, pink and green shades, we heartily recommend these.					
L-1161	LUTESCENS x ALEXANDERI 'WESTONBIRT' FCC-RHS	.....	2.50	4.50	*	*
	This group of seedlings, we believe, will show another new high in outstanding color ranges among all of the Alexanderi 'Westonbirt' hybrids, with some of the best yellows and true gold colored cymbidiums ever seen. Along with these, one can expect green toned and white flowers. The Lutescens used is the parent plant of the glorious Hawtescens AM and FCC-RHS varieties, which is one of the latest cymbidium hybrids to receive these high honors. This new cross is sure to be one of the highest quality triploid crosses to date. We expect it to equal or better our famous Glendora hybrids.					

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L-1195	MAGALI SANDER 'SURPRISE' AM-RHS x ALEXANDERI 'WESTONBIRT' FCC-RHS	2.50	4.50	*	*
	The finest parentage has been used in this cross, which is a remake of a previously named hybrid, 'Blush.' As the name implies, this produced many fine white and blush-pink flowers on tall upright stems. The awarded Magali Sander 'Surprise' is a dark rich chocolate and this, combined with the finest known parent, will again give excellent progeny in this notable triploid hybrid.					
L-1253	SWALLOW—TETRAPLOID FINE x PAUWELSII 'COMTE de HEMPTINNE' FCC-RHS	.....	2.50	4.50	*	*
	At last we offer this exciting tetraploid cross, which has many of the best potentials of any group yet offered. Certainly fine production with excellent quality flowers in lovely shades of pink, rose, and yellow will be among those to be seen. Watch this cross for results.					
L-1255	CELESTE 'BURGUNDY' x ALEXANDERI 'WESTONBIRT' FCC-RHS	.....	2.50	*	*	*
	We look forward to this cross as another prize winner in color, size, form and production. Clear deep pink, light pink and white flowers on fine spikes should be the rule.					

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ELAINE II

UNFLOWERED CYPRIPEDIUM SEEDLINGS*

We present this offering with the assurance that many outstanding cypripedium flowers of merit will result from our long-range planning, and the knowledge of what is necessary to produce the superior quality so important in today's highly developed cypripedium hybrids.

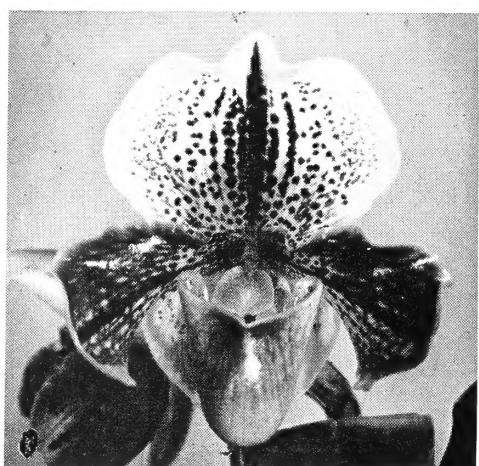
Our stock of stud plants include many of the finest prize winners and high quality proven breeding stock to be found anywhere in the world. We are proud of many recent high honors awarded our cypripediums, among which include—3 GOLD AWARDS, 9 SILVER AWARDS, 15 BRONZE AWARDS, to name a portion. Along with these the praise given by those who know the superior stud stock we possess is a source of much satisfaction.

CULTURE

Requirements for cypripediums are extremely simple, as they are adaptable to a wide variety of conditions and are normally the most pest free of all the orchids. The wide selection of colors and types, along with being, perhaps, the longest lasting of all orchid flowers (6 to 8 weeks or more), makes these plants so worthwhile and valuable to both amateur and commercial grower alike.

Care of cypripediums follows that of cymbidiums except that they require more shade (600 to 1000 ft. candles of light). As they have no bulbs, they require more frequent watering and should not be allowed to stay dry at the roots for more than a very short time. Conditions similar to those afforded begonias seem quite satisfactory. The plain green leaf varieties may be grown outdoors with cymbidiums; however, the mottled leaf varieties require more heat and should have a temperature of 58°F. or above. Pot-grown plants benefit by repotting approximately every 2 years.

When grown in the home, they should be placed in a very light position, such as an east, south or west window. During the hottest part of the year give filtered sun if facing south or west (such as split bamboo affords). Fertilize approximately every fourth watering with a complete nutrient solution such as Gaviota Orchid Fertilizer.



DENSHAW 'ALSTON'

NO.	NAME		SIZES AND PRICES			
			Length of Leaves 1½"-2"	2"-3"	To Flower Approx. 1 Year	Flowering Size
C-171	ACTAEUS 'BIANCA' FCC-RHS x TOPAZ BA-OSSC	.....	*	3.50	6.50	11.50
	Many fine yellows should result from this combination with excellent form and large size.					
C-172	GOLDITA (Anita 'Compactum' x Golden Moon)	.....	*	*	6.50	11.50
	Another excellent combination for yellow flowers of fine form.					

C-190	ANDREEN (Green Knight x Andromache)	*	*	6.50	11.50
	Two large-flowering, strong-growing parents which should produce some very interesting colors of green, yellow, and shades of rose-mahogany.				
C-215	YUKON (Maya 'Sun Goddess' BA-OSSC x Doris Black)	*	*	6.50	11.50
	Another group of fine yellows will be assured from this cross.				
C-217	GRANDIS (Tearlath x Telamon)	*	*	6.50	11.50
	Two large flowers with long stems, combined to produce fine flowers. Some will be spotted; others in a "flame" marked dorsal.				
C-224	ANDORA (Anita 'Compactum' x Doris Black)	*	*	6.50	11.50
	This group should produce flowers similar to C-215.				
C-226	W. DOWELL (Gowerianum 'Gratixiae' x Holdenii 'Westonbirt')	*	*	6.50	11.50
	The first of these albinos are now flowering and are showing up very well.				
C-244	FLARE (Andromache x Atlantis 'Red Admiral')	*	*	6.50	11.50
	Good red shades should predominate. In others some unusual and most attractive coloring will be found.				
C-246	MERMAID x DECAMERON 'AMERANTH'	*	*	6.50	*
	Fine flowers should result, mostly red with a few spotted types. Fine shape.				
C-247	FIREBRAND 'MONARCH' x EMILY BUTTERS	*	*	6.50	11.50
	Large, choice, nicely spotted flowers of good form should predominate.				
C-248	IMPERIAL (Andromache x Fairlight)	*	*	6.50	11.50
	Coloring here should vary — some yellow, others with "flame" dorsals.				
C-254	KLONDIKE (Telamon x Andromache, Choice)	*	*	6.50	*
	Large flowers of good form should prevail in greens, creamy yellows, and "flame" marked dorsal.				
C-261	TOPAZ BA-OSSC x TELAMON	*	*	6.50	11.50
	The very fine, large, white and yellow Bronze Award seed parent, along with the large, well-formed and colored Telamon will assure many choice offspring.				
C-302	BRANDMAN (Firebrand x Alderman)	*	*	6.50	11.50
	These parents should assure large flowers of very good form, pleasingly spotted and on tall stems.				
C-465	ACTAEUS 'BIANCA' FCC-RHS x ESTRELLA	*	3.50	6.50	*
	Here again is another cross which will give lovely yellow flowers which are so much in demand at this time.				
C-512	RED MOON (Atlantis 'Red Admiral' x Golden Moon)	*	3.50	6.50	*
	This group of seedlings should not only produce quality flowers, but interesting colors as well, primarily in red shades.				
C-607	JASMINE 'GOLDEN PRINCE' x WALTER MOORE FCC-RHS	*	3.50	6.50	*
	Without doubt, this cross should produce many of the finest yellows yet seen.				
C-619	JASMINE 'GOLDEN PRINCE' x TOPAZ BA-OSSC	2.00	3.50	6.50	*
	Yellow, deep green and golden colored flowers of the best quality are assured from these fine, vigorous and strong-growing seedlings.				
C-846	PERIDOT x BANCHORY	2.00	3.50	6.50	*
	Vigorous growing, these seedlings should produce many with the 'new look,' the brilliant dark greens, with good form and size.				
C-872	FIREBRAND 'MONARCH' x DECAMERON 'AMERANTH'	2.00	3.50	*	*
	The fine large flowers of both parents — one a red, the other made from the famous Cardinal Mercier (a known red breeder) crossed with Balaclava — certainly should produce some very excellent flowers in color, form and size. Many very choice red colored flowers should be seen from this cross.				
C-1068	DORIS BLACK x SANACDRAE 'THERESA'	2.00	3.50	*	*
	Another fine yellow combination. Both parents are extremely strong growing and heavy producers, and each bears large flowers on tall, erect stems.				
	NOTE — The two smaller sizes are grown in plant bands or flats and will be shipped in plant bands or bare root unless you specify that they be potted for shipment.				
C-1074	LEONORA 'AMERANTH' x ATLANTIS 'RED ADMIRAL'	2.00	3.50	6.50	*
	Here again is a cross of two red parents for choice flowers of large size, fine form and the red color always so desirable.				

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UNFLOWERED VANDA SEEDLINGS

We maintain a small group of hybrid Vanda Seedlings of the finest parentage. These Vanda Seedlings may be chosen with the utmost confidence, for these crosses represent some of the finest made, with many already proven. In these hybrids, the outstanding and fine influence of V. Sanderiana will be prominent, as in every instance these seedlings have V. Sanderiana as one parent or closely in the background, which assures many high-quality flowers.

If interested, send for our listing of crosses, sizes and prices available.

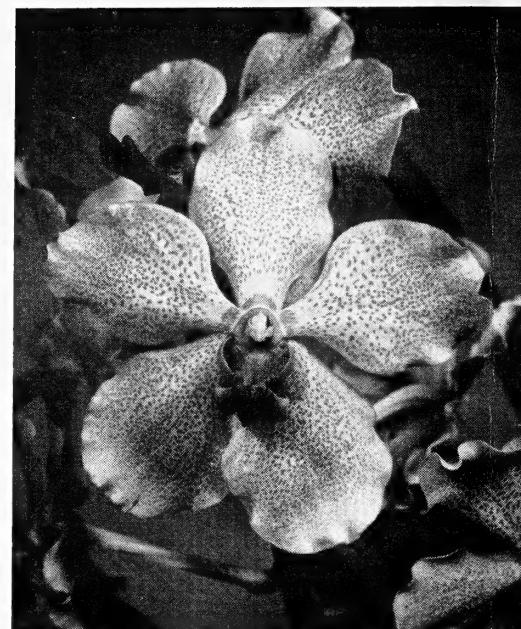


Z-763 ZYGOPETALUM 'MACKAYI' SEEDLINGS

Give these plants the same conditions and culture as cymbidiums and the results will be most rewarding. They make a compact plant and produce flowers freely during the winter holiday season. The 6 to 8 or more flowers, borne on upright spikes, are very fragrant, with large lips in purple shades, with brown and green petals and sepals. Excellent for corsages or arrangements.

The following sizes are offered at special low prices:

Plants to flower in approximately 2 years \$2.50 each, 3 plants only \$5.50
Plants to flower next season \$4.50 each, 3 plants only \$9.50



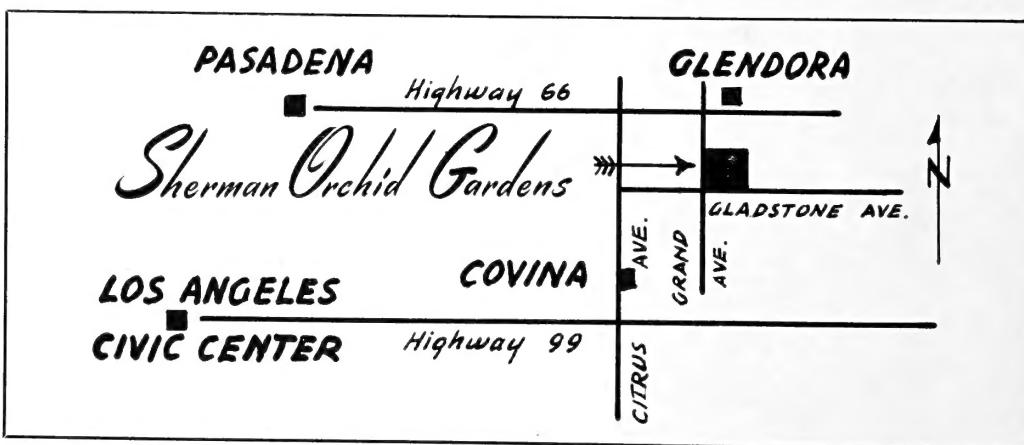
VANDA NELLIE MORLEY

Mature Plants and Propagations

OUR STOCK of top-quality cymbidiums and cypripediums is well known to those who have visited the Nursery, and many fine exhibition and stud varieties are available for the discriminating orchid fancier, and for the hybridizer. Among these are varieties which have won the highest awards wherever fine orchids have been exhibited, and whose progeny are setting new standards and winning new honors today.

Many of the world-famous plants can be seen in bloom during the flowering season and you are cordially invited to visit the Nursery when in our vicinity.

We invite your inquiry for specific varieties or types, either for exhibition or stud varieties. We will also be glad to suggest individual plants or groups in any requested price range.



Conditions of Sale

PAYMENTS SHOULD accompany order, unless credit has been established. CALIFORNIA PURCHASERS ADD 4% SALES TAX, unless we have on file a signed resale certificate.

No substitutions made unless authorized. Please advise if we may make substitution in the event we are out of stock ordered.

Plants are offered subject to prior sale. Prices subject to change without notice. This list cancels all previous quotations. No packing charge. All prices F.O.B. Glendora. Shipments made via Railway Express, charges collect, unless instructed otherwise. Due to type and size, certain orders shipped Parcel Post, prepaid. We appreciate prompt reimbursement of these charges.

Foreign shipments will be made via Air Express, roots wrapped in moss, unless otherwise specified. Hawaiian purchasers are requested to include with their order a copy of their import permit. It may be obtained from the Board of Commissioners of Agriculture and Forestry, Honolulu.

Sherman Orchid Gardens in no way guarantees the crop produced by these plants, as such conditions are beyond our control. In the event of a claim, our liability is limited to the purchase price.